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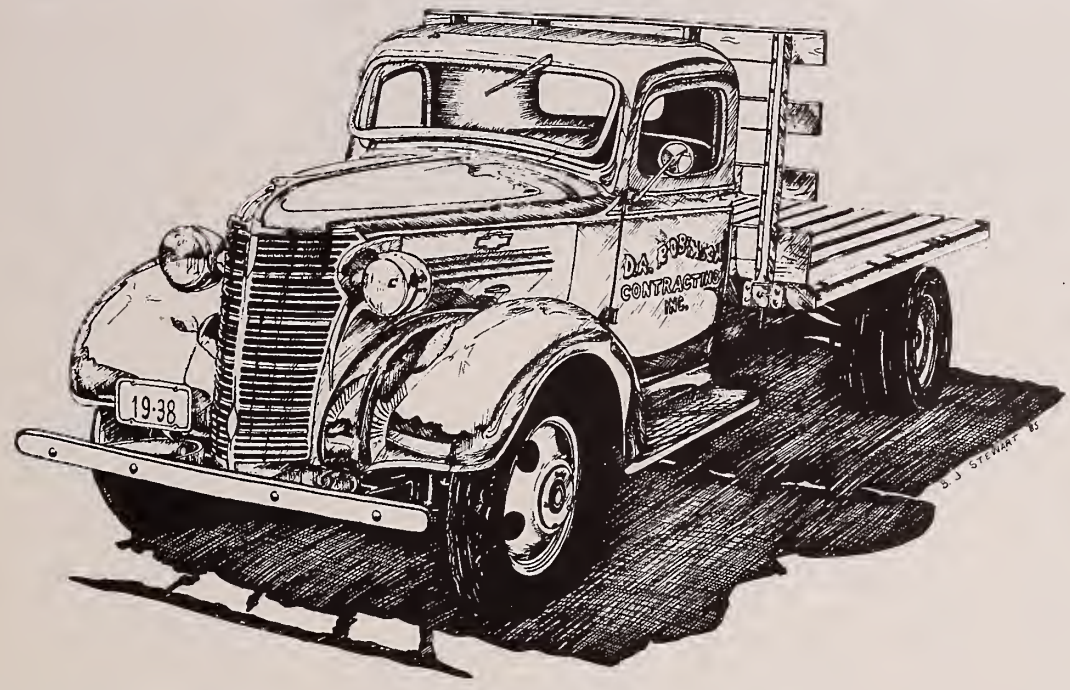

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School Addition Question Before Wendell and New Salem

During the second full week of October, the Towns of New Salem and Wendell will be considering proposals for building an addition to and renovating the Swift River School. New Salem's Town Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14 at the Town Hall in New Salem. Wendell's Town meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 16 at the Town Hall in Wendell.

Each Town will vote to consider its share of the cost of appropriating and borrowing funds for three alternative projects -- costing $1.3 million, $1.6 million, or $1.9 million. Also, the towns will be considering their share for appropriating and borrowing $100,000 to permit construction of an addition that would allow the pre-school to be moved from its current site in Wendell Center to the Swift River School.

These alternatives have been developed by the New Salem/Wendell Building Committee, a committee of ten members, five from each town, which has been chaired by Gladys Powling of Wendell. The Committee has been assisted by the architectural firm Design Partnership of Cambridge; by the Superintendent of Schools, Leonard Lubinsky; the Principal, Leonard Strauss; and a staff representative, Joy Brenneman.

The most expensive of the three alternatives includes a large classroom addition and a new gymnasium. The least expensive alternative is similar to the most expensive alternative except that it does not include the new gymnasium and the remodeling of the current gmnasium/cafeteria area. The middle alternative is similar to the most expensive one except that the academic addition is smaller. Drawings of these alternatives can be viewed at either the elementary school or the superintendent's office. Drawings and additional information will be sent home to parents from school and made available at public places in both New Salem and Wendell.

All of the alternatives have been approved by the Massachusetts Department of Education as being large enough to serve two hundred fifty children. However, I feel only the largest of the alternatives would serve that number comfortably.

Fortunatëly, the Department of Education will pay 80% of the cost of the building project and 75% of the cost of interest for borrowing money to undertake the project. In addition, the Farmer's Home Administration has indicated that it would probably be able to lend the money to the Towns of New Salem and Wendell for the project -- a substantial benefit because their interest rate is below market rates. I estimate that the interest rate would be 6% for Wendell and 6 7/8% for New Salem. The federal government sets the rate for towns based on median household income figures.

Because Farmers' Home will permit borrowing on an amortalized basis -- the same as a home loan -- we can calculate a set annual net figure which would apply to each town so long as the proportion of student population from each town remained the same. The figure cannot be given precisely until after October 1 so that we can see the proportion of enrollment in each town as of that date. However, I think it unlikely that the net cost to Wendell would be more than $25,000 per year and the net cost to New Salem more than $20,000 per year. Because the agreement between the towns provides for changes in capital costs annually based on changes in enrollment, those figures would change over the years according to population changes in each town.

All of the Building Committee members have urged that there be as large a turnout as possible for Town Meetings. The decisions the towns make will have an important bearing on the education of the children of New Salem and Wendell.

Leonard Lubinsky
Superintendent

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Problems Seen in Proposed Garage Site

Wendell Post readers will recall Selectboard minutes of discussions evaluating potential sites proposed for a combined facility serving the vehicles of the Fire and Highway Departments. Unfortunately, several sites more desirable than the current proposal have proved unavailable.

The proposed site is North of the Common on 3 acres of pasture and woodland, owned by the Powlings. It is well drained and large enough for proper site containment of fuel, oils, solvents and road salt. An engineering consultant will design pavement, berms, curtain drains, catchments, sumps and monitoring wells to minimize chances of surface/groundwater contamination. Fuel storage tanks will be set above ground to facilitate frequent inspection. It is anticipated that the Commonwealth will construct a secure salt shed.

The Town plans to buy a new pre-fabricated building designed for our weather. A combined facility achieves economy of scale in heating and energy-conservation. Because the entire garage will be maintained above 32 F., engine wear to vehicles on starting will decrease, and storage under cover will lessen the wear due to acid-rain and snow. Under consideration is an oil-fired furnace which will accommodate used motor oil, thus recycling petroleum for the Town.

Adverse criticism has been voiced in letters from Jean S. Forward, Adin and Mary Gilman, Steven Gross, Diane Kurinsky, Thomas F. Mangan, and Gwen and Lincoln Soule. They stress environmental concerns raised by siting in a residential neighborhood. Increased traffic would hazard the safety of seven children. Noise would be irksome. The quality of life would suffer. The process of planning, the nature of zoning and the future of the area are all concerns. The Selectboard is committed to do all possible to mitigate such adverse impacts upon the rural residential neighborhood.

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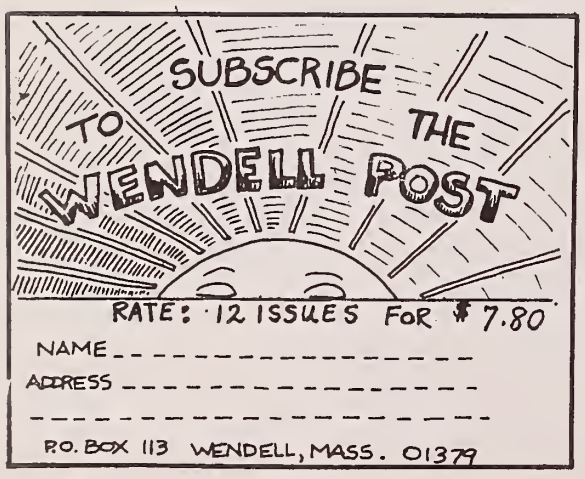

Earth First!

The first Earth First! conference for the Northeast took place the weekend of October 4 in Wendell. Earth First! is a young Western-based environmental movement that believes in "No compromises on behalf of Mother Earth." Thirty-five participants discussed tactics used to keep Rt. 2 out of a relative wilderness that includes Wendell State Forest and involves a white-water stretch of the Millers River. They took a Walk on the Wild Side of the Millers and saw a slide show. The biggest hit was meeting the bear that has haunted Gov. Michael "Duke" Dukakis.

* * *

The Greek-speaking bear, together with a midnight caper that resulted in the Governor encountering the message, "Hay Duke, No Rt. 2" written across a football field where his helicopter was landing--and a lot of much less glamorous work--have improved the odds the road won't be built. The Hay Duke incident was reported last year in this newspaper..

Other topics covered at the two-day conference included The Fate of Our Forests led by Dan Heminway of Orange, Bioregional Networking by Craig Stehr of Newton, Personal Permaculture by Thelma Snell of Orange, and participants also heard from Max Strahan of Boston on Endangered Species.

Food and music were good. The former was provided by Raeanne Maynard and her brother Art Potorski. The latter was provided by Court Dorsey, whose version of "Serious Men Are Running Our World" shows good music can be sarcastic, and by Steve Crow and Burris Jenkens. Some useful linkages came out of the conference. Said Strahan, "We're organizing Connecticut, and it's good to get together with some people from there.'

Strahan slso expressed the conference's most successful function: "When you go back to fight that lonely battle, it helps to know you're not alone."

Jonathan von Ranson

Garage Problems cont.

Upon completion of the new facility, the present garage will be razed and the site cleaned. The old firehouse will be converted into much needed municipal office space. A Farmers Home Administration loan will help to finance the project.

Charles Thompson Smith

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Touring the Radioactive Countryside

During the month of August, in summer, 1986, I had the opportunity to make the great American coast-to-coast sojourn. With a close friend and a lovable twelve year old golden retriever named Sheba, I journeyed from state to state.

We lived simply and close to the land, sleeping at night on a bed roll, directly under the stars, and rising with the morning sun to greet each new day's adventures and possibilities.

For reading material I had brought along, Killing Our Own: America's Disaster with Atomic Radiation, by Harvey Wasserman and Norman Soloman. The authors describe, in detail, America's consistent mismanagement of atomic radiation, from its initial experimental stages in the 1940's to the book's publishing date in 1982. It was awakening and sobering reading; my consciousness was raised far beyond even my wildest imaginings.

While driving countless miles of interstate highway, my friend and I would read aloud to one another. Often, we would be reading about nuclear reactor leakage, contamination from uranium and plutonium milling remains, mining atrocities or widespread contamination occurring during the transporting of nuclear waste and products, while just leaving or heading towards the very places of which we read.

No longer was Rocky Flats, just outside Denver, Colorado, some abstract place and event on a printed page. I had walked, breathed, bathed, eaten, and drank in and from an area in which a 1957 fire burned "enough plutonium to make at least two bombs equivalent to the one dropped on Nagasaki".[1]

In 1965 and again in 1969 large scale fires erupted at Rocky Flats. Operated under government contract by Dow Chemical from the time it opened in 1953 until 1975 when management was taken over by Rockwell International, Dow records of plant operations show that fires were not the only source of contamination at the plant.

The book goes on to discuss further documentation of contamination, calculations of greatly increased health risks, and the sobering news that the half life of plutonium is twenty-four thousand years. (The half life of a radioactive substance describes the time it takes for one half of any quantity of it to decay into the next lighter element along its decay chain.) Bizarre mutations and behavior in local animals, and doubled lung cancer and leukemia death rates among subjects living in "relatively uncontaminated" zones were also reported.

As we approached Boulder, Colorado, I gazed down the highway in disbelief. So many years had passed and yet, I thought, the radiation must still be present. Twenty-four thousand years is a long time. I wondered to myself...Where is the radiation now? Who's being exposed? How many people have cancer or any other number of health problems related to radiation and don't even know why? Those responsible for radiation contamination count on its invisibility. With a problem as extensive and as dangerous as radiation contamination it's often easier as an individual and as a society, to turn our energies and attention to other thiggs. The power of the old adage "out of sight, out of mind", took on new and frightening meaning. Too bad for all of us that out of sight doesn't mean out of body, out of soil, out of food, or out of water. A deadly and silent killer has been released and goes, for the most part, unpursued.

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Wendell Arts Council

For those of you who don't know, the Wendell Arts Council is a five member council to promote and encourage the Arts. Its members are Phyllis Lawrence, Chairperson; Anne Diemand; Teri Nelson Koehler; Patty Judice; and Brenda Vincent. Together they dispense Wendell's share of the Mass. Arts Lottery Funds (generated by Megabucks).

Wendell receives $1,000 each year in two $500 allocations. We take applications from individual artists and from organizations.

The July-December Arts Council's monies went to the Wendell Old Home Day Fund for their evening concert, Swift River School's Artist in Residence Program, Mez Davis for a puppetmaking workshop and to Doug Tanner for a series of music workshop performances in the Swift River Pre-School.

It is that time of year again, and the Council is now accepting applications for the upcoming funding cycle which runs from January to June 1987. Applications may be obtained from Teri at Bear Mtn. Rd. Wendell 544-7446 or Phyllis at Old Egypt Rd. Shutesbury 413-367-2175. The applications must be returned by October 20, and will be considered at a meeting open to the public on Oct. 20 at 7:30 pm in the Wendell Town Hall.

The following are some guidelines from the Mass Arts Council that we are required to comply with:

1. Recipients of funds must be organized or reside in Mass. and have been engaged in the kind of activity for which funds are requested for at least one year.
2. Organizations seeking Arts Lottery funds should generally be non-profit and tax exempt.
3. Individual artists should be able to demonstrate their commitment by the previous sale or exhibit of their works, having a portfolio, or otherwise.
4. Grants shall not be awarded to religious organizations for the purpose of founding, maintaining, or aiding any church or religious denominations or society.
5. Grant money cannot be used to replace other funding.
6. Grant shall be used for materials purchased or services provided by the individual or organization.

* A resume would be helpful, but is not required.

The guidelines for the funding give us quite a lot of freedom, so we are by no means limited to performances. For instance, we could use the money to offer classes, to purchase a work of art, to organize a trip to a museum, to help an individual get published, etc. If you have any ideas, please let us know.

Line-up of working Chevies.

Paul Larini of Hardwick
'57 Stepside
"Best of Show"

Bryant Stewart
Organizer of show,
'58 Panel

North East Chevy/GMC Truck Meet Fun for All!

On August 1, 2, and 3 1986, eighty-seven pre-1967 Chevy and GMC trucks participated in the 5th Annual North-East Chevy/GMC Truck Meet at Wendell State Park.

An estimated 2,000 GM truck lovers trucked down to Wendell to admire the trucks, ranging from polished custom models to everyday haulers. The years represented a fine selection from 1923 to 1966.

Though we have some of the finest trucks at our show that you'll find on the East coast, we do cater primarily to the average truck owner. That's what makes our meet fun for all. Even a beater can participate and go home with a trophy.

Seventy-five trophies were awarded in 18 different classes. Judging was done by the participants.

Friday, August 1 brought some of the long distance travelers from as far off as Alabama, Prince Edward's Island, Canada and Ontario, Canada. Friday was a day of relaxation and enjoying Wendell State Forest, and of course getting together with old acquaintances and their trucks.

On Saturday at 11:00 a fun Truck Rodeo was on the agenda. Three events, including a slow race were enjoyed by all present. The main attractions were two WWII Army vehicles, Chevy, of course.

At 4:30, fifty trucks lined up and headed on down the road for a 25 mile caravan cruise.

Seven thirty p.m. began a dance MC'ed by DJ Jim Labbee. We boogied till the wee hours of the morning.

Rise and shine those trucks Sunday morning. Pre-registration from the two previous days made things run smoothly as the trucks rolled in to be judged, photographed, and admired.

Over 100 items were raffled off. Food and drink were supplied by Bill Keefe and Dana Kennison. Live blue grass music by Bear Acker and the Billings Gap added to the atmosphere created at the state park.

At 3:00 on Sunday, 75 trophies were awarded in five different year groups. 1918-1939, 1940-1947, 1948-1954, 1955-1959, 1960-1966 pickups, panels and trucks over 1-ton were represented in the 18 different classes. Best truck of meet went to Paul Larini and his clean unrestored 1957 Chevy stepside. Paul is from Hardwick, Mass.

The fifth annual event proved to be a special year. This meet is growing in popularity each year as a major truck event in the nation. With the emergence of more classic GM trucks we are seeing a rebirth of America's favorite early haulers.

A special thanks goes to all who helped to put this event together. It virtually takes a small army of people. Also thanks to the Massachusetts State Park system and the State Park staff for preparation and support for our event. And here is a final thank you and praise to God for the fine weather we enjoyed and also for allowing us to live in this great country, where we are able to have the freedom to hold and participate in such an event as the Annual North-East Chevy/GMC Truck Meet. See you next year.

Bryant J Stewart, Pres., North East Chevy/GMC Truck Club

MARRIAGES

July 4, 1986 Joy Chaisson and Nelia Aguiar

June 28, 1986 Joey Scott Adams and Margo Marie Barker

BIRTHS

June 27, 1986 in Greenfield, Ashley Beatrice Manley was born to Thomas and Carolyn Manley of Lockes Hill Road.

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Rt. 2 Task Force

RTE. 2 TASK FORCE

On Wednesday, September 17 at 7pm in the Erving Town Hall, the Route 2 Task Force held its second meeting. This meeting was primarily concerned with the composition and functions of the Task Force itself.

In order to have an effective working group it was decided to limit the actual Task Force to one representative from each of the following thirteen groups: Town of Wendell, Town of Erving, Representative Carmen Buell, Greater Athol/Orange Chamber of Commerce, County Commissioners, Wendell Concerned Citizens, Massachusetts Audubon Society, Sierra Club, Millers River Watershed Council, Erving CTO, Erving Paper Co., Senator Robert Wetmore and Farley Concerned Citizens.

Interested members of the public and other groups are invited to attend meetings and listen. A question and answer period will be provided for them as well.

The Task Force will perform the following functions: It will raise and try to resolve concerns that anyone in the community may have, by acting as a channel for feedback between the public and the DPW and its consultants. It will record this process as well as all the opinions expressed in order to aid the Commonwealth in arriving at decisions on this section of Route 2. The Task Force is not intended to be just a short-lived group which will disband when the choice of alignments has been made, but will continue to meet until construction has been completed.

The next Task Force meeting is scheduled to take place at the Erving Town Hall on Wednesday, October 8, 1986 at 7pm. The agenda includes detailed discussions of the western section of the Low Profile Alignment from Farley up to Erving Center and the study of the Farley Landfill.

Agenda items for future Task Force meetings include the Low Profile Alignment between Erving Center and the Orange Town Line and the South Bank Alignment.

Mason Phelps

Hgway Comm. Vacancy

Highway commissioner Joe Hartjens reported the resignation of David White as a member of the Commission. The vacancy will be filled by an appointment of the selectboard and the two remaining commissioners. The selctboard will be on the lookout for an interested candidate.

The other member of the commission is Rick Drohan who was appointed shortly after the last elections to take over for Steve Lelito.

THE WENDELL FREE LIBRARY NOTES

Summer Reading Program Draws 30 Children

This year's Summer Reading Program at the Wendell Free Library was called "Reach to the Outer Limits." More than 30 children participated in the program that ran from June 23 to August 23. We, the library trustees and librarian, Lois Carey, would like to thank and congratulate the following children of Wendell for participating in this program with so much enthusiasm: Rachael and Jesse Perrell, Ananda Babineau, Seth and Noah Lawrence-Slavas, Jacob White-Diemand, Asha Wild, Ishana Strazzero, Gabriel and Brianna Drohen, Amy and Sarah Golding, Jesse and Christopher Davis, Molly and Freda Stebbins, Jacob Smith, Kirstin and Gerrit Hogerheide, Summer Ann Stefanowich, Liam and Christopher Cohen, Josh and Matt Chase, Gretchen and Anna Wetherby, Christine Rogalski, Tara, Jessica and Jeremia Murphy, Shoshi Gross and Parker Putnam.

Each child listed was presented with a certificate of completion and a complimentary book.

Many thanks to The Friends of the Library for funding for the books, decorations and refreshments for our wonderful, successful summer reading program!!

The following is a list of magazines, some new, that we offer for your enjoyment at the Wendell Free Library: Organic Gardening, Prevention, National Geographic, Cycle, Threads, Mothering, Fine Woodworking, National Wildlife, McCall's, Solar Age - now Progressive Builder, Country Journal, American Visions, Yankee and Outdoor Life.

Magazines may be checked out, granted the most current issue has come in.

We also have some new cassette tapes for the children that may also be checked out.

So, come on over to the Library and see all the wonderful things we have in store for you. We also welcome your suggestions! Hours are: Wednesday 12 - 4pm and 6 - 8pm, Saturday 10am - 2pm.

Wendell Day Care: 'Country Kids'

To the Wendell Post,

In our small, rural community we are fortunate to have a dedicated child care worker. Linda Kosuda has been caring for children in her home for over nine years. It began as an alternative to out of the home work for herself, to care for her own two children, Laurie and Stevie, and has blossomed into a community service.

Linda is open five days a week, from 7:30am - 5:30pm. Her dedication and reliability have allowed countless parents to work, knowing their children will be loved, played with, kept dry and well fed. It has also been a place for children to grow up together under the watchful eye of Linda. Here they have gotten to know their future classmates and schoolmates.

Country Kids is the name for Linda's day-care program. The younger children participate in a program from 9am - 11am each day, specifically set aside for music, show and tell, arts and crafts, color recognition, water tables, reading, block building and other fundamental activities that are essential to a child's learning and enjoyment.

I would like to thank Linda for taking such good care of our two children, Jesse and Christopher. I know that they are in good hands and I can be relaxed and assured of that when I leave them at "Country Kids."

And so on behalf of all the parents of Wendell I would like to thank Linda Kosuda for being so dedicated to giving our children a warm, loving and safe environment to play in.

Mez Davis

"Dumper of the Month Award" to Arthur Eggers of Deerfield

Announcing...

...whose ad firm, Northgate Advertising, took $3,112.20 from a nuclear industry front group for "letterhead design" (source: State Office of Campaign and Political Finance).

Arthur is treasurer of "Citizens Against the Yankee Shutdown," a group entirely funded by the nuclear waste industry.

We wonder if he was paid $3,112.20 to design "letterhead"...or to put his name on the letterhead???

Let's hear it for "citizens" like Arthur!! Go Nukes! Dump it here! Good job, Arthur!!!

Joshua J. Dostis
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MONIES TURNED OVER- Treasurer Chasing Down Old Building Fee Checks

In the Aug./Sept. issue, there was a story about former Town Treasurer Florrie Blackbird's discovery that fees from building permits had not been submitted for deposit into the town's General Fund for several years. The matter had been brought to the Wendell Selectmen's attention. Chairperson Idoine said the Board was assured by Building Inspector Harold Burnett that he would correct the situation, and Mr. Burnett was reappointed to his post.

New Town Treasurer, Douglas Dawson, was contacted by the "Post" early in Oct. to find out how correction of the outstanding fee problem was progressing. Says Dawson, "He has turned some money over to me, $1,406.14 in total. $24 was in cash, the rest in checks. There were 66 checks. 8 were acceptable to the bank, only those dated in 1986. 58 of the checks are not acceptable because of their age. Some of the checks go back to 1982. March 15, 1982 is the oldest one."

Treasurer Dawson has been contacting people in an attempt to have the non-negotiable checks replaced by current ones. He still has 32 checks to go. "$672.14 has been deposited out of $1,406.14. That includes the $24 in cash, the 8 acceptable checks, plus 34 checks that I have recovered."

Dawson explained that, for a $7.50 fee per check, the bank would assume recovery of the checks. "But if the bank could not recover the check, the fee would still be in effect. I did not think that was a reasonable way to go."

Says Dawson, "I want to thank all of those who have sent in new checks, especially the people who have sent them in right away."

Since the checks were turned in on Aug. 23, Dawson estimates he has "probably spent ½ to 1 hour a day on it, at least 5 days a week making phone calls. Some people have been contacted several times, but no response Some people are understanding, others are almost hostile. It's not work I enjoy. I could be doing other things." He says, "Most of the checks that are left, I don't know who the people are. I think I've reached the end of the road on the telephone, so I'm just going to have to send letters."

Asked if Mr. Burnett had had any comments about the situation, Doug Dawson recalled, "He offered to try to get back any I couldn't He said he would try to turn the fees into me more regularly."

The Selectmen have contacted Treasurer Dawson twice about the situation, once to determine if any money had been turned in, and later to see if there was any more. Dawson has not recieved any additional reciepts since August. "I don't know of any rules about how often money has to be turned in to the Treasurer. I have no idea how many permits are issued each month." He is not aware of any list that is kept of permits issued.

Prior to this, Mr. Burnett had last turned in permit fees on Feb. 5, 1982. There was $108.50 in cash, and 13 checks totaling $188.00, all negotiable. There was no accompanying explanation of the fees paid for in cash.

The Building Inspector does receive a salary plus expenses for his trouble. Fees go into the town coffers. The 66 plus $24 worth of building permits issued between 1982-1986 were for inspections of new buildings, or new additions, such as porches, decks, and a chimney.

by Kathy Becker

Special Town Meeting Warrant

Warrent Articles for Special Town Meeting 9-30
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1) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for its share of constructing, originally equiping and furnishiing an addition to the Swift River School and for remodeling and reconstructing the existing school; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; and to take any other action thereon

2) To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for its share of the cost of constructing, originally equiping and furnishing an addition to the Swift River School for the purpose of providing space for the pre-school program; to determine whether this appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise; or take any other action thereon.

3) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Mahar Regional School Committee to apply for and accept and be allowed to expend without further appropriation any funding which may be available to the Regional School District by accepting the provisions of Chapter 188,Section 12, of the Acts of 1985 which hereby established Equal Educational Opportunity Grants for the purpose of increasing direct services to pupils in cities,towns and regional school districts, educational collaboratives or independent vocational schools, or take any action thereon.

4) To see if the Town will vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant of an amount up to $1 047.00 for FY 1987 and to authorize the Wendell School Committee to expend said monies without further authorization, or take any action thereon.

5) To see if the Town of Wendell will vote to authorize the New Salem/Wendell School Committee to accept and be allowed to expend without further appropriation an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant in the amount of $28,876.00 for FY 1987, or take any action thereon.

6) To see if the Town will vote to support the purchase (or to otherwise acquire) a new cab and chassis for the Fire Department tanker, or take any action thereon.

7) To see if the Town will vote to ammend Article 3 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 8,1986 by the deletion of the following:

"From Taxation	$515,333.00
From Revenue Sharing	$ 25,200.00
Total	$540,537.00"

and the insertion in its place of:

"From Taxation	$517,609.00
Revenue Sharing	25,200.00
Total	$542,809.00"

8) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from the Stabilization Fund, a sum of money (not to exceed $7,000.00) for the purchase of a new sander for the Highway Department, or take any action thereon.

9) To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or appropriate $200.00 for the Town Right-To-Know coordinator, or take any action thereon.

10) To see if the Town will vote the following resolution or take any action thereon:

"Resolved that the Town of Wendell call upon our local officials, state and federal legislators and other concerned citizens to actively work with responsible agencies and officials to promote leak detection and repair, water conservation, forest management and local Watershed protection

within the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) communities and to work to assure that there will not be diversion of the Connecticut River, the Millers and the Tully, or of the Merrimac River or its tributary, the Sudbury, for the pupose of supplementing the water supplies distributed by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority."

11) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate an additional $425.00 for the Assessor's Expense Account for the purpose of copying the Property Cards or take any action thereon.

12) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate or appropriate from the Stabilization Fund up to $10,500.00 for replacement of the Swift River Preschool roof or take any action thereon.

13) To see if the Town will vote to petition the Massachusetts General Court to enact legislation that would:

a) authorize the collection by the Town of a land transfer fee not to exceed two percent (2%) of the purchase price upon the transfer of certain real property interests located in the Town,

b) establish a Land Bank Fund in the Town treasury, and

c) authorize the Conservation Commission/Land Bank Commission with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to use said Fund for the purchase of certain categories of land and interests therein to be permanently held in a (Town) Open Sace Land Bank in order to conserve open space, protect the environment and preserve natural beauty in the Town, and act on anything relating thereto, or take any action thereon.

14) To see if the Town will vote to have the Town seek in cooperation and conjunction with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management to control the use and development of certain properties served by the Arch Street bridge by the acquisition of right of first refusal on those properties, and by the installation of a locked gate configured so as to allow pedestrian use while preventing motorized vehicle use. Keys to such gate to be distributed to emergency agencies and owners of property served by the Arch Street bridge, or take any action thereon.

15) To see if the Town will vote to accept the following ammendments to the Protection By-Law:

ARTICLE 6. DENSITY
The minimum lot area shall be three (3) acres.

ARTICLE 6a. (To be inserted after article 6.)
The number of dwelling units shall be one (1) per lot.

ARTICLE 7. FRONTAGE
A minimum of two hundred (200) feet frontage is required per lot as measured along the front lot line.

ARTICLE 13. DEFINITIONS
DWELLING UNIT: A single unit providing complete, independent living facilities for one (1) or more persons including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation.

16) To see if the Town will vote to accept the following resolution or take any action thereon:
RESOLVED that the voters of the Town of Wendell do hereby petition the Board of Selectmen to direct the Chief of Police to cease participation in aircraft overflights in the search for marijuana or other contraband unless a valid search warrant for such search shall have been obtained.

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Blank	3
Attorney General	
Harrington	1
Blank	3
Secretary	
Cochran	2
Blank	2
Treasurer	
Hampers	2
Blank	2
Auditor	
Nalsios	1
Robinson	1
Blank	2
Congressman	
Conte	3
Blank	1
Councilor	
Blank	4
Senator in General Court	
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Representative in General Court	
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District Attorney	
Blank	4
Sheriff	
Blank	4
County Commissioner	
Blank	3
Edmund F. Smith of Buckland	1

Democrat Primary

Governor	
Dukakis	61
Blank	19
Lt. Gov.	
D'Amico	32
Murphy	43
Blank	5
Attorney General	
Shannon	25
Shotwell	44
Blank	11
Secretary	
Connolly	48
Blank	32
Treasurer	
Crane	47
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Auditor	
De Nucci	19
Herrigan	26
Jancey	11
Blank	14
Congressman	
Weiner	43
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Councilor	
Hanillon	6
Harvey	14
O'Brien	14
Blank	46
Senator in General Court	
Wetmore	47
Blank	33
Representative in General Court	
Buell	70
Blank	10
District Attorney	
Ryan	46
Blank	34
Sheriff	
McQuade	41
Blank	39
County Commissioner	
Benson	70
Poirier	10
Blank	0

Radioactive Countryside
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As is usual in our socity, my mind passed from focused awareness on what I knew to be true of the environment around me, to more immediate and more pleasurable things: beautiful mountain scenery, friendship, and the moment to moment concerns and joys of our adventure. The questions would, however, remain just below the surface of my consciousness, intermittently making themselves known: Was I ingesting radiation? Was my genetic makeup being altered forever for having journeyed to the great northwest?

I read about tributaries of large, seemingly thriving river systems, the Rio Ruerco, the Colorado and Susquahanna, to name just a few, being contaminated; contamination that is slowly making its way to the water supplies of cities, towns and states. I read about gross mutations discovered in domestic and wild animals known to have been exposed to atomic radiation in one way or another and of the disappearance of the creatures of the forests from areas known to have been contaminated. I read about people whose livelihood and daily existence are reliant upon the land and its resources -- land which has, in various and seemingly innumerable ways, been defiled and contaminated by radioactive waste. I read of significant rises in the rates of cancer, stillbirths, and mutations in those known to have been exposed to radiation. It went on and on and on. God bless America...

It was easy to get in touch with my anger and rage at the utility companies who run nuclear power plants, at our government, which as of the book's 1982 publishing date had conducted 691 "announced" nuclear tests -- 563 of them in Nevada alone, and at milling and mining operations that expose countless uninformed human beings to dangers whicl which often take generations to reveal themselves and that produce millions of tons of waste which are often abandoned and at best incompetently handled.

There were also, however, questions that came with my rage and anger. Surely it's time, and it may even be too late, for those who have spread radiation across our planet to accept responsibility for what is truly "America's Disaster With Atomic Radiation". Just as surely, I realized, it is time for me, and for all who are interested in the continuation of life on this planet to accept our own personal responsibility for gaining awareness and seeking and implementing appropriate action. As difficult as it is, this process can no longer afford to be avoided.

I urge everyone to read Killing Our Own by Harvey Wasserman and Norman Soloman, and to continuously seek out other sources of information, support and action. Only when each and every one of us becomes unwilling to participate in the perpetuation of the lie of the safety of nuclear power and the peaceful atom, will the ultimate destruction of our planet and our species turn from a certainty to an avoidable disaster.

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Post Quiz

POST QUIZ

1. At one point it was feared that the Constitutional Convention of 1787 would break up with no result. Even WASHINGTON was alarmed. What was the trouble?

2. Which state sent no delegates to the Convention and later refused for a time to come into the Union?

3. Seventy-five years ago the historian Charles Beard contended that most of the delegates to the Constitutional Convention were serving personal benefits by protecting the value of government bonds and western lands which they owned. Is this still believed?

4. Name a powerful reason why states ratified (approved) the Constitution.

5. If nine states accepted the Constitution the new Union was in effect. Which state was the ninth to accept?

6. Three delegates refused to sign the Constitution. Who were they?

7. One delegate signed as an individual, not representing his state. Who was that?

8. Independence Hall, where the Convention met, was surrounded by cobblestoned streets. How was the noise of traffic prevented?

9. Patrick Henry was a prominent patriot. Did he attend the Convention?

10. Who was the oldest delegate?

Answers on Page 8

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We are encouraged to celebrate this beginning of this new cycle with feasts, gatherings, prayers and reflections. It is a solemn celebration - a joyful and meditative time. We try to examine our actions and our thoughts to determine whether we are living up to the standards we have set for ourselves. We are to renew ourselves, our goals, dreams, and aspirations. We are to ask ourselves - are we living up to our full potential?

A chassidic story: The great chassid, Reb Zusya of Hanipol said this to his disciples as he lay trembling on his death bed, " I am about to face the Holy One, to justify my sojourn on this world. If God asks me, "Zusya, why were you not like Moses?" I shall respond, "because you did not grant me the powers you granted Moses." If God asks me, "Zusya, why were you not like Abraham ?" I shall respond, "because you did not grant me the powers you granted Abraham." But, the Almighty will not ask me why I was not like Moses or why I was not like Abraham. The Almighty will ask me, "Zusya, why were you not like Zusya? Why did you not fulfill the potential which was Zusya's to fulfill?" It is for this question that I tremble . . ."

This is the question which we contemplate on the High Holydays - especially on Yom Kippur.

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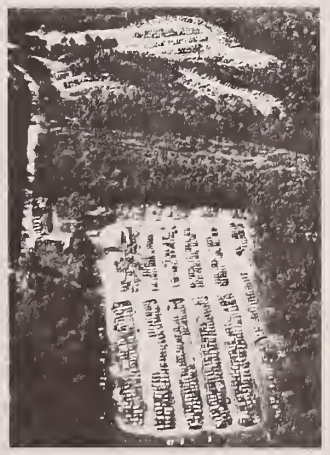
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The Real Linda Facey: Farmer, Schoolbus Driver, Cowgirl

There is a woman named Linda Facey who serves on the school committee of the Wendell-New Salem School District. The driver who takes a well-disciplined busload of kids to and from Swift River School every day is also one Linda Facey. But who could that cowgirl in denims with the mauve Western hat festooned with lavender feathers and a brimful of hat tacks be? The same Linda Facey, mother of four and wife of Wendell Police Officer Bill Facey.

Talking at the kitchen table with Linda Ruth Boutwell Facey reinforces the impressior you get when she produces a gallon of cow's milk from her refrigerator for a customer. Or the impression you get if you're a fifth grader and you get the idea to release a snake on the school bus on the way to school and you discover how quickly one person can turn chaos into order. Here is a woman who knows where she stands. Or sits. Her dress is a reflection of that trait. The wide-brim hat with the cord under the chin (in case the bus should start bucking?) reflects a deep attachment to the West and Colorado, where she grew up, and the heck if it clashes with cautious New England patterns of adornment.

"When Bill married me, he married my horse too," she declared. The horse, Prince, came back with her to Wendell after the 1968 marriage in Colorado. He has since died -- "He was my prince, too." Just as she had to have her horse, "I've got to have my feathers, I've got to have my hat tacks." For her it's not affectation; it reflects her don't-fence-me-in mentality, the real Linda Facey.

She and Bill live with their four boys, Danny, 16, David, 15 -- both at Franklin Tech -- Jimmy (also called M.J.), 12, and Jerry, 9, who go to Swift River. Their home is an 80-acre farm on Davis Rd. with a dozen cattle, several rabbits, two chickens, a dog, and a duck, Daffy. This is a diversified homestead that produces and sells beef, hay, milk, rabbits and maple syrup. It also provides most of the necessities of life for the Facey family. It's the closest to a classic New England farm that Wendell or any nearby town has, and the well-tended complex of house, big barn and outbuildings looks every bit the part. Bill works at Renovator's Supply in Millers Falls, but together the couple still finds time to hay 35 acres and make over 100 gallons of maple syrup as well as do daily chores.

Both of them wanted to farm. They were engaged during a visit east by Linda to her uncle -- who happened to be Bill's best friend -- and almost immediately went out looking at farms. Bill was working and living in Greenfield, and bought the farm in December 1967, two months before the wedding.

"I enjoy being out in the country," said Linda. "Even living in Greenfield would drive me insane. I enjoy the out of doors and I love animals. To be able to take care of our own family ourselves rather than depend on a store or someplace else is what I prefer to do." A visitor at milking

time may find her and Bill in the barn, sitting opposite each other milking the family cow together.

The physically active lifestyle Linda loves was threatened on May 6, 1984 when she was injured in a bicycle accident riding with her children on Mormon Hollow Road. She suffered a severe concussion and spent three weeks in the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester without clearly recognizing family, mixing up her children's names, and causing concern about the possibility of paralysis. Her memories of those three weeks are "just a dream."

Then she was transferred to Franklin County Medical Center in Greenfield, where she would spend two more weeks recuperating. Bill and Brenda Grogan took her there.

"We were driving past Farley on Route 2", Linda remembers, "and I said 'Can't I go home first, just for a minute?'" When Bill said no, she tried being even more persuasive, but the answer was the same.

"It's a good thing they didn't bring me back," Linda chuckles, "because when I got home and my bunnies were all grown up and all, I realized they'd have had to hog tie me to get me out of here!"

Today, she reports, looking the picture of health, she still has "a partial dead feeling" in her legs below the knee, and "If I have something real narrow to walk across I'll take somebody's hand."

Before resuming bus driving, which she had done before the accident, she was "totally tested. There are too many lives in my hands," she said. She first drove runs for Turners Falls and the Austin School for the Deaf in Brattleboro. To Linda, driving school bus is clearly more than a job. She has gotten letters of appreciation from parents and children, with comments that suggest a bus driver can be a significant figure in a child's life. Only a few days before the interview, the whole busload of children, on a cue from an unknown source ("It might have been Kim Grogan") turned and chanted in unison, "We like you as a bus driver, Linda Facey!"

Children apparently relate to her spontaneity, her forcefulness, her good nature. The first year she was driving bus, seven years ago, the vehicle bogged down in eighteen inches of snow on New Salem Rd. While Kitty Denkewicz went for help, Linda handed out crayons and paper. "When we got done with that, and when we got out of there, I stuck the drawings up all around the bus," she said. She enjoys decorating the bus, and on special days hands out "stickers or something interesting like that -- not candy, that's not for me."

The Faceys' farm includes a barn that's three stories high, built on four-foot-thick dry-laid stone foundations that extend outside the barn in an unusual "buttress" look. (Inside, the walls are vertical). This detail and the pegged framing system suggest ""it must be over 100 years old," according to Bill. The three-quarter-century-old farmhouse has the open front porch characteristic of a time before electricity and indoor entertainment.

Old timers have told the Faceys that the Boston-Albany stage used to run right past their door -- in fact, the homestead was once an inn, "full of fireplaces," with 20 rooms and a stable with fresh teams to keep the coach swaying toward Boston along what is now called School House rd. and Old Farley Rd. Or if it was headed to Albany, down Davis Rd. to connect with Wendell Rd. in Millers Falls and on to Millers, Turners and Greenfield.

That inn burned, neighbor Joe Drozdowski has said, around 80 years ago. And the road is now so far off the beaten path that its potholes and washouts take a little longer to fill. But a horse-lover keeps watch over the homestead, and memories of the modern-day bus run will probably last as long in some minds as those of the former stagecoach that left from the same spot.

Jonathon von Ranson

Quiz Answers

SHORT ANSWERS

1. Small states feared they would be disregarded by the large states. Delegates from Connecticut proposed the solution, that is two senators from every state small or large, and representatives according to population.

2. Rhode Island.

3. No, it is now generally agreed that the delegates acted from patriotic motives for the good of their country.

4. All knew that, if the Union was established, Washington would be our first President.

5. New Hampshire.

6. John Randolph and George Mason from Virginia and Elbridge Gerry from Massachusetts.

7. Hamilton had lost his power to represent New York because his fellow delegates had left the Convention.

8. Sand was thickly spread on the cobblestones.

9. No, and he later strongly opposed approval of the Constitution of Virginia.

10. Benjamin Franklin.

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CAWS Suit on Hold

The Citizens Against Wrongful Searches have been busy compiling affidavits from possible plaintiffs and witnesses who were victims of the illegal searches by helicopters last fall.

The law firm of Esser, Singer, Eisenberg Wainstein and Berlin has been working on the complaint.

The group intends to make sure that the constitutional rights against unwarranted search and seizure will be addressed.

- Susan DunLany

Folk Concert in Greenfield

Walkin' Jim Stoltz, an energetic one man show, will be performing on Nov. 1st at the Grange Hall in Greenfield.

The concert will be a benefit to offset the legal fees of the Citizens Against Wrongful Searches. (See previous article.)

Tickets will be $4. This promises to be a good evening of folk music!

Halloween

Wendell Ladies Aid is once again sponsoring the Wendell Children's Halloween party. It will be held on Friday, Oct. 31, from 6-7 p.m. at the Wendell Town Hall. Children of all ages invited to come in costume. Games and goodies!!!

The Annual Children's Christmas Party will be held this year on December 14th from 2-4 p.m. Any questions, comments or offers of help please feel free to contact any member of the Ladies Aid.

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Rosen & Burns Appearing At Oct. 18 Coffeehouse

The ever-popular Wendell Town Hall Full Moon Coffee House for the benefit of the Rt. 2 Environmental Coalition has started a new season.

October 18 will see the return of Roger Rosen and Laura Burns. There were rave reviews from those who heard them last year. It's a show not to be missed.

On November 15 Marsha Taylor of "Bright Morning Star" will make her first appearance on the F.M.C.H. stage.

As usual, local artists are encouraged to perform at the open mike during the evening. A wide variety of homemade desserts, coffee and herb teas are available. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

- Susan DunLany

Help Invited for Open Space Plan

The Conservation Commission and the Planning Board are charged by the select board with the development of an openspace plan for the Town. Two programs -- the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, and the Massachusetts Self Help Program -- assist towns in land-acquisition for recreation, for conservation purposes; but to qualify for either, a recreation and/or conservation plan must be submitted and approved.

This process is mandated to insure that the monies will be expended to achieve reasonable goals in accord with a policy which is locally understood, exercising responsible stewardship of lands and funds.

Anyone with data concerning the following is invited to share them with the two boards:

1. Wendell history and archaeology
2. Wendell geography and geology
3. Wendell flora and fauna
4. Wendell zoning concerns
5. Wendell recreation needs and objectives
6. Any other relevant materials.

The boards hope to prepare before Thanksgiving rough drafts of sections on natural and social history and zoning.

Please telephone one of us, as soon as possible.

Neal Feltman	544-7416
Mason Phelps	544-2735
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The Wendell Finance Committee is seeking new members. Knowledge of Town finance is helpful, but not required. For more information, call Steve Broll 544-3223.

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Selectmen's Minutes

August 5, 1986

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 with full Board present. Signed weekly warrants.

Harry Williston informed the Board of his discussion with Dick Marble of Mass. Elec. regarding disconecting the service box on the Town Common. There will be no charge for either disconecting of reconection of the pole.

Rick Drohen requested a copy of the original STRAPPS Grant application for a format to fill out a new grant application for roads servicing the State Forrest.

The Board dicussed several options for informing the public of discontinued roads.

Discussed a complaint from David Ewell regarding the discontinuance of Stone Road.

Harlen Gilbert requested for Silvia Wetherby the use of the Town Hall August 9th to have a church function. He also discussed with the Board the situation concerning the former Treasurer and the Finance Committee.

David White Road Commission member requested the Board post a sign informing drivers when a bridge is under repairthe travel at our risk. They also discussed several options for repairing Farley Bridge.

The Board voted unaminously to enter into executive session. Executive session began at 8:40. Present: David White & Rick Drohen.
They discussed estimated costs for land to build a combined Highway Maintenance Facility/Fire Station located on Locks Village Road in the center of Town.

Estimated costs;	*Land acquisition*	*18 000*
	Survey	*900 to 1 200*
	Closing	*500 to 750*
	Perc Testing	*200*
	850 x 6 foot fence	*4 675 or a*
	850 x 8 foot fence	*8 075*

Board will discuss it with Town Counsel. Also discussed were other available land for the Garage Fire Station project.
Executive session ended at 9:15

Ann Zak informed the Board that there will be a Shadow Painting August 6th to remind people of Hiroshima. she said that she would take full responsibility for any reactions to the painting project.
The Board acknowledged this information and neither approved on disapproved of the project.
Meeting adjourned 9:30.

August 12, 1986
Meeting was called to order at 7:00 with full Board present. Signed weekly warrants.

Georgina Kish Chair for the Finance Comm. requested the Board to notify the Finance Comm. on regular basis when decisions concerning Town monies are made. She also requested the Board to consider earlier notification of salary increases, possibly in November.

Roger Smith, Director of Maple Valley School requested to use the Town Hall for August 14th, 16th and 17th, to hold Graduation and party.
Permission granted.

Rick Drohen informed the Board of land available for Combined Garage/Fire Station.

Joe Hartjens informed the Board of Bond Issue Grants in the amount of 32,981 dollars that we should be receiving every year. The monies may have been put into the generalfunds account. The Board will discuss the matter with the Treasurer.

The Board had a hearing with Jane Davis to discuss money management proceedures of the Town. She interviewed the Finance Comm, Tax Collector, and Assessors. Ms. Davis will compile findings from interviews, work on recomendations for making what we have work better and contact the Board.
Meeting adjourned.

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Selectmen's Minutes Cont'

August 26, 1986
Meeting was called to order at 7:00 with Selectmen Lewis & Slavas present. Chairman Idoine is in Boston
Signed weekly warrants.

The Board appointed Mason Phelps to the Conservation Committee.

David White submitted his resignation for Road Commission member effective August 23, 1986.

Received a letter from Superintendant of Schools Leonard Lubinsky informing the Board of a School Committee Mtg. to be held August 27th at 7:30 p.m. at Swift River School. The letter also informed theBoard that a second public hearing will be held October 2nd to conci er a five year budget plan.

Harry Williston informed the Board that Bond Issue monies for road repair must be taken from the general fund account and put in a seperate interest bearing account. The 71 000 may be taken from general funds & put into a seperate with no penalties.

Received notice from Mass. Elec of intent to install poles on Old Egypt Road.
Board set hearing date for September 9th at 7:30.

Ann Zak reserved Town Hall for Oct 4th for an Earth First Conference.

Bill Rivers, Ken Simmons and Rolan Leveille of D.E.M. & Fisheries and Wildlife informed the Board of the D.E.Ms plan to install gates on Sears Road approx. 700' up from Depot Rd. and on Kempfield Rd. at the bridge and the easterly end of Bullard Pasture Rd.. The latter will serve to protect the project for de-acidification of Whetston Brook, a five year project which may start in the Spring of 1987.

The Board agreed to have John Gates, Town Counsel write a buy/sell agreement for the Pawlings land.
Meeting adjourned 9:15

September2, 1986
Meeting was called to order at 7:30 with Selectman Lewis present. Signed weekly warrants.

Selectman Lewis discussed the process for paying highway bills with the Town Accountant.

Town Counsel Gates is writing a Buy/Sell Agreement for the purchase of the Pawlings land to build the Garage/ Fire Station.

Fire Chief Ricketts requested the Board put an article on the Special Town Meeting warrant to see if the Town will vote to support the purchase of a new cabin chassie for the Fire Department tanker.

The Board will petition the County to discontinue some County roads not in use.

The Board discussed alternatives for reconstructing Farley Bridge to bring it up to or over the three ton limit. Joe Hartjens informed the Board that the bridge is a historical site. He also informed the Board the bridge is up for a grant to start and complete reconstr uction.

Meeting adjourned 9:15.

September 9, 1986

Meeting was called to order at 8;00 with Selectman Lewis present. Doug Huntington reserved the Town Hall for a dance to be held on Ocoober 24th.

The Assessors requested an article be put on the Special Town Mtg. warrant to see if the Town will vote to appropreiate 425. dollars to purchase copies of property cards.

The Board received a complaint about a car obstructing traffic on Montague Road.
Board will investigate.

The Board received a complaint about someone tying the Flag pole cord to a tree which was planted in memory of Mr. Thompson.

The Board will petition the County to discontinue six roads in Wendell not in use.

Chair. Idoine informed the Board of a RT. 2 Task Force mtg. to be held in the Erving Town Hall September 17th from 7 - 9 pm.

Additional articles for Special Town Meeting warrant;
To see if the Town will vote to have a land bank.
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate 2 500 to repair the Swift River Preschool roof.

Hearing for Mass Elec to install poles on Old Egypt Rd.. Approved.

Meeting adjourned 9:15.

September 16, 1986

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 with full Board present. Signed weekly warrants.

Marianne Sundal was present for the Greenfield Recorder Moondala Womens Group reserved the Town Hall for Dec. 6 to hold a coffee house open to the public.

Discussed correspondence between the Treasurer and Board regarding the Towns cash flow.

Ken Simmons of Fisheries and Wildlife requested an answer from the Board concerning their discussion on repairing and maintaining the Kempfield Rd. so as they may start the de-acidification project in the Whetstone Brook. The Board will Talk with the Planning Board before they make any decissions.

Thomas Wetherby was present and dicussed the Whetstone Brook project with the Board and informed the Board that the Planning Board approved the Fisheries and Wildlifes request as a temporary measure for the purpose of de-acidification studies only.

Discussed scheduling a meeting with Town Counsel to discuss the process forpurchasing land in the center of Town that is of questionable ownership. The decided Selectman Lewis will contact Town Counsel.

There is 12 000 in a dedicated Bond account for the highways immediate use from Chapters 637 & 811 of Mass General Laws of the Acts of 1985.

Thomas Wetherby informed the Board of meeting to be held October 6th in the Town Hall to discuss the zoning by-laws. Some changes to be discussed are;
Frontage from 100' to 200'
Min. lot size from 2ac to 3ac.

Harry and Del Williston requested the Town replace the voting booths. Selectman Slavas will draw a design for new voting booths.

Board discussed land acquisition for Garage/Fire Station

School Building Committee has narrowed the Swift River project to three alternatives. Selectman Slavas will schedule meetings with Superintendant Lubinsky and the New Salem Selectboard.

Mass Elec Ray Carvel informed the Board of a free energy audit available to the Town. The Board agreed to have it done Sept. 22nd.

Jonathan von Ranson requested the Board add to the Spec. Town Mtg. warrant an article petitioning the Board to direct the police dept. cease any participation in helicopter fly-over searches. The Board will refer the matter to Town Counsel.

Selectman Slavas will continue to represent Wendell for the RT. 2 Task Force. He will advise th DPW about the course of the RT. 2 project.

Meeting adjourned 10:00.

September 23, 1986

Meeting was called to order at 7:00with full Board present.

Michael Idoine acting as the Chairman signed a Loan Resolution from FmHA for the Fire Station/Town Garage project.

Fire Chief Ricketts informed the Board he applied for and received a free pumper for the Fire Station. The 1972, seven hundred fifty gallon water pump was acquired through the Excess Equipment Program.

Mason Phelps inquired about an article regarding helicopter searches. The Board informed him it will be on the Wwarrant, and that Town Counsel recommended the Board not take a stand on this issue for liability reasons.

Board discussed the Planning Board article to increase building lot size and frontage.

Ann Zak reserved the Town Hall for :

Jan.	17	Apr.	11	Sep. 5th	Dec. 5
Feb.	14	May	16	Oct. 3	
Mar.	14	Jun.	13	Nov. 7	

Meeting adjourned 10:30.

September 30, 1986

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 with full Board present. Signed weekly warrants.

Selectman Lewis informed the Board that Farley Crossing Bridge will need more extensive repairs then originally anticapated.

The Board received the buy/sell agreement from Counsel Gates. They signed it and will deliver it to the Pawlings to sign.

Special Town mtg. warrant is completed. The Board discussed some articles with the Finance Committee.

Board discussed the MDC potential land swap with the Tri-County Coon Club. Chairman Idoine will look into the Towns options and rights.

Discussed alternative mortgages for the Swift River School project.

The Board scheduled a tentative date to meet with the Building Inspector.

Board discussed looking into some sort of day care for the Town.

Meeting adjourned 9:40.

Respectfully submitted,
Regina S. Haworth

A LITTLE REMINDER OF PARKING LAWS FROM THE SELECTBOARD

General Prohibitions

No persons shall stand or park and no person shall allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his or her name to stand or park in any of the following places:

(A) Within an intersection.
(B) Upon any sidewalk
(C) Upon any crosswalk
(D) Upon the roadway in a rural or sparsely settled district.
(E) Upon a roadway where parking is permitted unles both wheels on the right side of the vehicle are within twelve (12) inches of the curb or edge of the roadway, except upon those streets which are designated as one-way street. On such one-way streets vehicles shall be parked in the direction in which said vehicle is moving and with both wheels within twelve (12) inches of the curb.
(F) Upon any roadway where the parking of a vehicle will not leave a clear and unobstructed lane at least ten (10) feet wide for passing traffic.
(G) Upon any street or highway within five (5) feet of a fire hydrant.
(H) In front of any private road or driveway.
(I) Upon any street or highway within twenty (20) feet of an intersecting way, except alleys.

ANY person convicted of a violation of any rule, regulation or order made hereunder, except as otherwise provided, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.

Questions and complete copy of Traffic Rules and Orders may be obtained from the Selectmen's office.